



**IL 83/IL137 Preliminary Engineering Study
Community Advisory Group Meeting #4
January, 12 2016**

Overview

The Community Advisory Group (CAG) Meeting # 4 was held at the Round Lake Beach Cultural and Civic Center, from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM on Tuesday January 12, 2016.

Prior to the meeting, meeting invitations, a copy of the agenda, and a copy of the previous CAG meeting minutes were sent to members of the CAG on December 22, 2015 and again on January 5, 2016 (see Figures 1 & 2).

At the meeting, the project team provided a PowerPoint presentation at this meeting to update and inform the group on the project progress. An exercise was included during the meeting to gather comments and suggestions on the Range of Alternatives. CAG members who were not previously a part of the group were provided with a binder that included previous CAG meeting presentations and minutes. A copy of the PowerPoint Presentation and the agenda were provided as handouts to all participants.

The meeting was attended by 13 participants, 3 representatives from IDOT and 2 members of the project team (see attendance list provided below).

Presentation

The purpose of this CAG meeting was to update the group on the project progress, gather input on the Range of Alternatives, and provide the next steps in the process. The meeting consisted of the following:

- An overview of the project
This included a review of the project limits, the focus of the study and the NEPA environmental process being followed.
- Review of CAG Meeting #3
This included an explanation of the Project's Purpose and Need established from the Problem Statement developed by the community. The group reviewed pedestrian and roadway tools and provided suggested roadway types and elements to consider in developing alternatives.
- Alternatives Evaluation Process
This included discussing the engineering and environmental data collected, the detailed studies completed, and the screening of alternatives for fatal flaws and against the project's Purpose and Need. It was further explained, that following the Purpose and Need screening, the Range of Alternatives carried forward will be evaluated in greater detail and further refined until a preferred alternative is selected.
- Range of Alternatives and Impacts
This discussion provided details associated with splitting the corridor into sections, the review of the initial alternatives developed, reasoning for alternatives dismissed in certain sections of the corridor, and the creation of more viable alternatives in other sections. A break-down of the proposed Range of Alternatives that was developed in each section of the project was provided to the group for input and discussion.



- Workshop – Range of Alternatives Discussion

During this exercise the group reviewed the exhibits for the Range of Alternatives developed in each section of the project and used comment sheets to provide comments and suggestions regarding each of the alternatives.

As part of the exercise, a discussion regarding the comments and suggestions from the group followed the review of the exhibits. A copy of the comment sheets are attached. These are further summarized in the Summary of CAG Comments on Alternatives (also attached).

- Next Steps

Moving forward, Public Meeting #2 is anticipated in spring 2016 to provide the community with the preliminary alternatives screening and to get comments on the Range of Alternatives that were developed. The next CAG Meeting will then follow the Public Meeting and is tentatively scheduled for late summer 2016. In that meeting we will further discuss the information collected, preliminary impacts, and design changes for the alternatives. By winter 2016 we anticipate holding Public Meeting #3 to gather comments from the public on impacts for the reasonable alternatives to be carried forward.

Questions/Comments

Ms. Werner requested that all crash information for last 5 years be updated for all three sections.

The crash data is collected throughout the project area and summarized in a Crash Analysis Report. The project Crash Analysis Report is periodically updated to reflect the latest information.

Ms. Werner requested that all traffic information for last 5 years be updated for all three sections.

Projected traffic volumes are utilized as the basis for design. The Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) provides the projected traffic volumes for preliminary engineering studies such as this so that various factors related to improvements and development throughout the area are considered.

Mr. Grinnell brought up the concern regarding the roundabout design due to buses dropping off and picking up children from school. There are two schools located near the proposed roundabouts (in the central section) and Mr. Grinnell stated that once the first bus takes the right-of-way all the additional buses will follow in line. Some schools in the area have a police officer who stops traffic at those two times of the day to let the buses pass which cause traffic congestion at those locations.

The Project Team appreciates this input and will consider this traffic concern as the alternatives are further analyzed.

Representatives from the Prince of Peace Church had concerns regarding access and safety (for the median alternative) in the northern corridor. Members of the CAG mentioned that they would like to see all access points and median curb cuts to verify adequate access is being provided.

The 4-lane, 22-foot median alternative would limit access where it is utilized through the corridor. Median openings will be evaluated as the alternatives are further developed.

Mr. Grinnell mentioned that it would be ideal to have the proposed multi-use path go in front of Avon School rather than proceed through the existing parking lot.

The Project Team will consider this suggestion as the alternatives are further developed.



Representatives from the Liberty Prairie Area HOA (Bull Creek Subdivision) have requested a representative to attend an HOA meeting in early March to discuss the different alternatives with the homeowners.

IDOT will coordinate with the HOA to attend the meeting and discuss the project alternatives.

Ms. Rowe asked to be provided with the LOS data from the IL 83/137 south project limits, east to Butterfield Road.

The Project study team will provide the LOS at the south end of the project as requested.

Members of the CAG asked to be updated at least every 6 months on the status of the study.

The Project Team will make an effort to provide these updates as suggested.

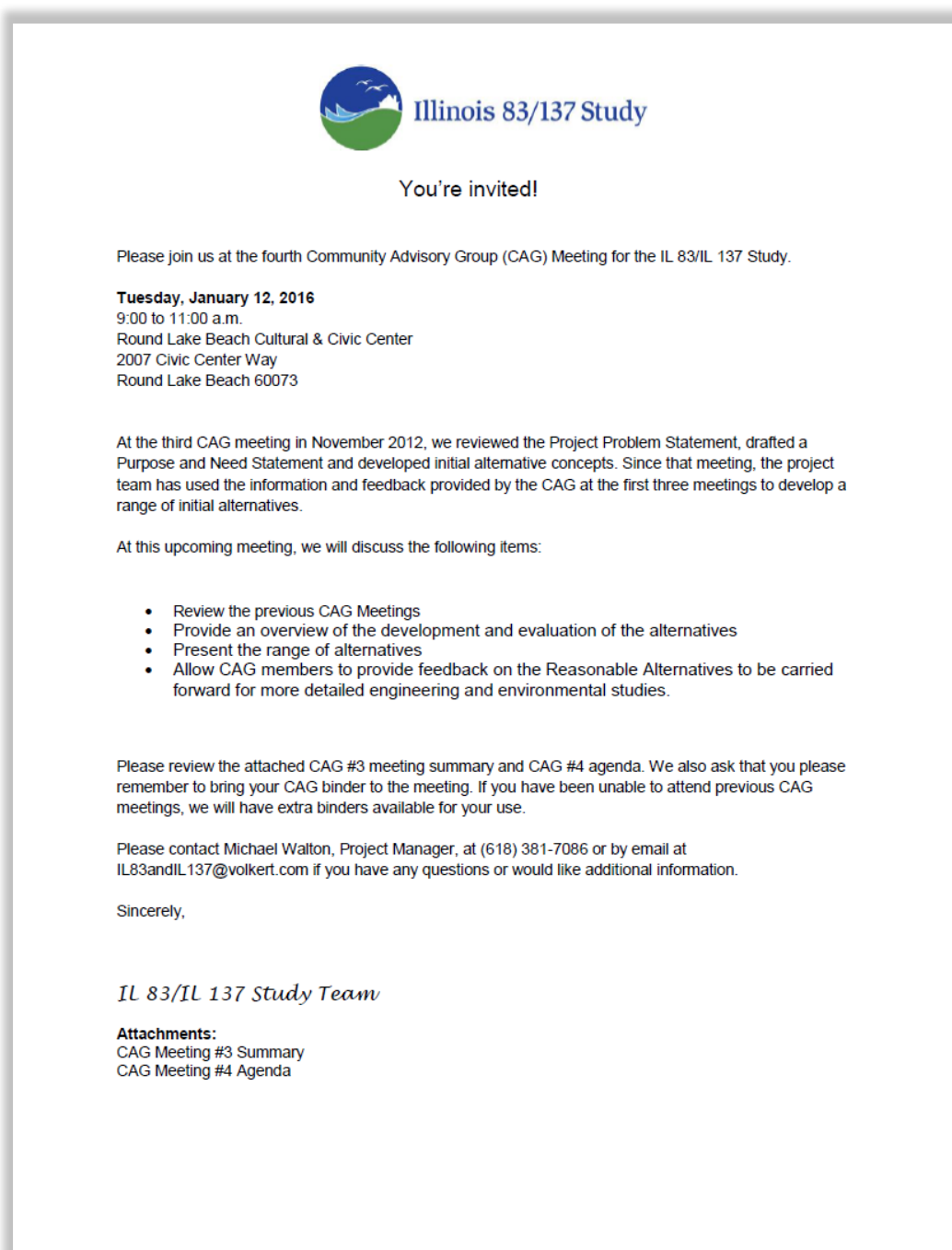
Attendance List

Al Aikus – Representing Prince of Peach School
William Burns – Representing Prince of Peach School
Chuck Gleason – Representing Lake County Division of Transportation
Keith Grinnell – Representing School District 46
Bill Heinz Director of Public Works – Village of Grayslake
Scott Hilts Director of Public Works – Village of Round Lake Beach
Ed Hovorka Owner of Shell Gas Station – Representing Businesses
Leo Marubio – Area Resident – Representing Liberty Prairie Area Home Owners Association
Heather Rowe Village of Libertyville Economic Development Coordinator
James Schuler - Area Resident – Representing Liberty Prairie Area Home Owners Association
Patty Werner – Representing Lake County Stormwater Management
Jon Wildenberg, Village of Round Lake Beach Economic Development Coordinator
Rick Willman - Representing Pace Suburban Bus

Project Study Team	
Schilke, Steve	IDOT
Baldauf, John	IDOT
Smith, Corey	IDOT
Walton, Michael	Volkert.
Holloway, David	Volkert

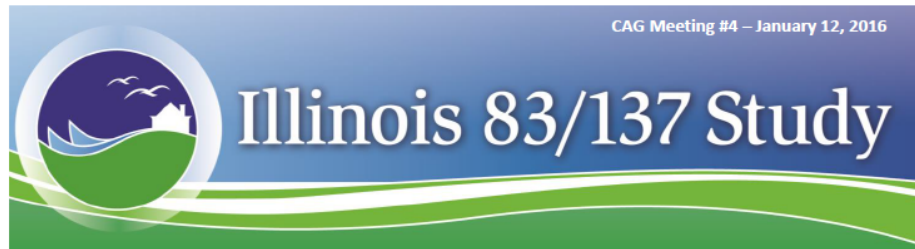


Figure 1 E-blast





**Figure 2
Meeting Agenda**



CAG Meeting #4
Round Lake Beach Civic Center
January 12, 2016, 9:00 – 11:00 am
AGENDA

Topic
Welcome and Opening Remarks
CAG Meeting #3 Review
Alternatives Evaluation Process
Range of Alternatives
Reasonable Alternatives and Impacts
Workshop – Range of Alternatives Discussion
Wrap-up and Next Steps

Coffee, water, and light refreshments will be provided.

Thank you for participating in the IL 83/IL 137 Study.